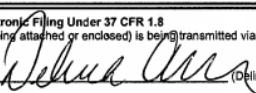


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**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action mailed October 14, 2008, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing beginning on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.